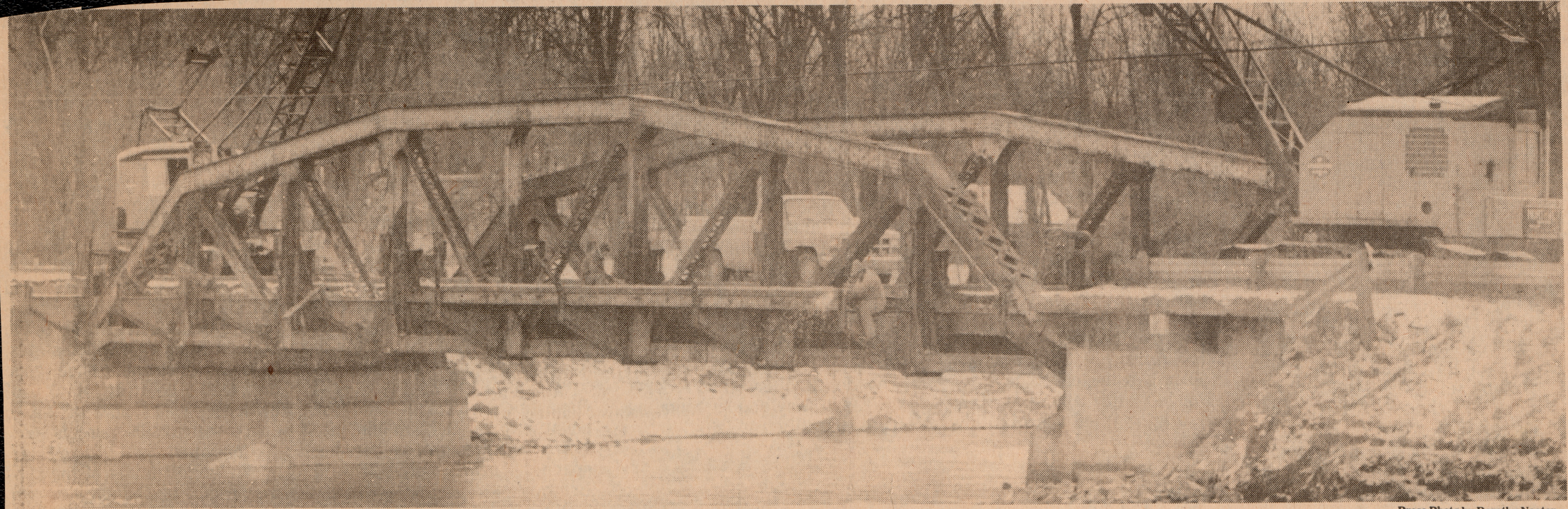

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Work is continuing on the dismantling of the Rawsonville Road bridge over the Huron River to make way for a new span 7-2-7-83

ANN ARBOR — A 25-year-old city man was arraigned in night court Saturday on a charge of first-degree criminal sexual conduct in the rape of a 25-year-old woman about 4:45 a.m. Saturday.

Police said Ronald Venell Watkins is in the Washtenaw

Lubricator for Steam Engines Aug. 6, 1872
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central mountain town of Aley and killed 25 Christian Phalangist fighters in a snow-shrouded clash between the two sectarian factions.

The Christians today asserted they've taken control of a nearby town.

In other Mideast developments, U.S. officials angrily denied an Israeli news report that a Marine's breath smelled of alcohol when he used a pistol to halt three Israeli tanks last week in Beirut.

The Israeli officer who headed the column was slightly wounded in a bomb explosion Sunday.

Police said Christian and Druse militiamen were battling

Snow

The Christian Phalangists' "Voice of Lebanon" radio station in Beirut said Christian fighters have "established military control" of Aitat following the loss of Aley. But police said no Christian forces had actually entered the town of Aitat.

The Druse political party said its militiamen took Aley on Sunday and set the Christian Phalange Party headquarters ablaze during a raging snowstorm.

The Druse claimed 25 Christian fighters died in grenade, artillery and rocket attacks in Aley and surrounding areas east of Beirut.

"We were taken off guard when the road patrol pulled out," Brown said. "I really didn't think they were going to do it. So our force had to be upgraded. But we still don't have the funds needed to fill our law enforcement needs."

In 1979, the Sumpter police department would shut down every night at midnight. They have since added one full-time and four part-time officers to their force which now, with the exception of Friday and Saturday nights, operates 24 hours a day. But they are still looking for a jail.

"We used to use the Sheriff Department's lockup, and the county would pick up the tab. Now we have to pay for jail space in nearby cities," said Brown.

Other areas that already had their own full-time force still find themselves shopping around for

other out kind of situation — a real readjustment process."

Sheriff's deputies, however, who remember the past, doubt that local police departments will be able to fill the gap left by a weakened road patrol.

"We had a good DUIL (drunken driving) force back then, averaging about six arrests a night. We led the county in drunk driving arrests," said Lt. Ronald Brown, who heads the secondary road patrol. He points to the department's 1980 Annual Report to the State of Michigan, which states, "Cases which had once gone unprosecuted for lack of evidence, we're now taking to court with a 100 percent conviction rate."

"We've left many of the runs we used to handle to understaffed local departments, and you can't really expect them